July Layers and Egg Production

Iowa: Egg production in Iowa for July 2005 was 1,090 million eggs, up 7 percent from the same period a year ago. The total number of layers on hand during July 2005 was 47.1 million, up 5 percent from 45.0 million layers in July 2004. Eggs per 100 layers for the month of July was 2,314 eggs, up 54 million eggs from the previous year.

United States: U.S. egg production totaled 7.56 billion during July 2005, up slightly from last year. Production included 6.44 billion table eggs, and 1.12 billion hatching eggs, of which 1.06 billion were broiler-type and 62 million were egg-type. The total number of layers during July 2005 averaged 340 million, down 1 percent from a year earlier. July egg production per 100 layers was 2,222 eggs, up 1 percent from July 2004.

All Layers and Egg Production, Aug 2004 and 2005 ¹

	Table Egg Layers in Flocks 30,000 and Above		All layers on hand ²		Eggs per 100 layers		Egg production by type					
State							Total production		Table eggs ³		Hatching eggs ³	
	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005	2004	2005
_	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Thousands	Number	Number	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs	Million eggs
AR	4,544	4,040	15,225	14,414	1,944	1,998	296	288	107	97	189	191
CA	19,813	19,264	20,298	19,797	2,232	2,212	453	438				
GA	10,965	9,776	20,076	18,919	2,117	2,114	425	400	251	224	174	176
IN	23,474	22,654	24,214	23,400	2,234	2,222	541	520	529	508	12	12
IA	44,271	46,348	44,963	47,101	2,260	2,314	1,016	1,090				
MN	10,103	10,293	10,638	10,826	2,322	2,291	247	248	239	240	8	8
NE	11,496	11,943	11,571	12,018	2,307	2,297	267	276	267	276		
NC	3,317	3,327	10,817	10,932	1,960	1,994	212	218	79	80	133	138
OH	27,278	27,347	27,755	27,841	2,245	2,266	623	631				
PA	22,340	21,227	24,139	23,045	2,357	2,382	569	549	551	531	18	18
TX	13,679	12,904	18,124	17,307	2,251	2,271	408	393				
30 Sts ⁴	260,763	260,480	319,869	319,164	2,209	2,214	7,066	7,090	6,058	6,602	1,007	1,028
US	277,141	275,650	342,479	340,184	2,207	2,222	7,557	7,560	6,455	6,441	1,102	1,120

¹ 2005 preliminary, 2004 revised ² Includes all layers and eggs produced in both table egg and hatching egg flocks regardless of size ³ Data by type of flock not shown for some states to avoid disclosing individual operations ⁴ The 30 states are those listed as well as AL, CO, CT, FL, HI, IL, ME, MD, MI, MS, MO, NY, OK, OR, SC, SD, VA, WA, and WI.

July Livestock Slaughter

Iowa: Commercial red meat production in Iowa during July 2005 totaled 474.6 million pounds, down 9 percent from July 2004. There were 2.17 million hogs slaughtered in July 2005, compared with 2.37 million hogs slaughtered in the same month last year. The average live weight of hogs slaughtered was 268 pounds, up 3 pounds from July 2004.

United States: Commercial red meat production for the United States totaled 3.62 billion pounds in July, down 2 percent from the 3.71 billion pounds produced in July 2004.

Beef production, at 2.08 billion pounds, was 1 percent below the previous year. Cattle slaughter totaled 2.72 million head, down 2

percent from July 2004. The average live weight was up 15 pounds from the previous year, at 1,254 pounds.

Pork production totaled 1.51 billion pounds, down 5 percent from the previous year. Hog kill totaled 7.66 million head, 5 percent below July 2004. The average live weight was 2 pounds above the previous year, at 264 pounds.

July 2004 contained 22 weekdays (including one holiday) and 5 Saturdays. July 2005 contained 21 weekdays (including one holiday) and 5 Saturdays.

Commercial Red Meat Production: United States ¹

	Jul 2004	Jun 2005	Jul 2005	Jul 05	% of	Jan - Jul ²		
Class				Jul	Jun	2004	2005	05 as %
				2004	2005	2004		of 04
	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Percent	Percent	Million Pounds	Million Pounds	Percent
Beef	2,104	2,228	2,085	99	94	14,194	14,003	99
Veal	13.3	13.2	12.4	93	94	98.8	90.4	92
Pork	1,576	1,707	1,505	95	88	11,605	11,663	101
Lamb & Mutton	14.2	15.3	13.5	95	88	112.8	108.1	96
Total Red Meat	3,708	3,963	3,616	98	91	26,011	25,865	99

¹ Based on packers' dressed weights and excludes farm slaughter.

² Accumulated totals and percentages based on unrounded data.